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DISORDERS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the August 23, 2007 Office Action in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the Office Action is due November 23, 2007. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.